

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 36 public bills, H.R. 5028–5063; and 18 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 261–262; and H. Res. 1254–1269 were introduced. **Pages H2639–41**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H2641–43**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Blumenauer to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H2581**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Dr. Clyde Mighells, Lighthouse Reformed Church, Howard, Pennsylvania. **Page H2581**

Recess: The House recessed at 11:38 a.m. and reconvened at 1:04 p.m. **Page H2593**

Oath of Office—Nineteenth Congressional District of Florida: Representative-elect Theodore E. Deutch presented himself in the well of the House and was administered the Oath of Office by the Speaker. Earlier, the Clerk of the House transmitted a facsimile copy of a letter from the Honorable Kurt S. Browning, Secretary of State, State of Florida, indicating that, according to the unofficial returns of the Special Election held April 13, 2010, the Honorable Theodore E. Deutch was elected Representative to Congress for the Nineteenth Congressional District, State of Florida. **Page H2594**

Whole Number of the House: The Speaker announced to the House that, in light of the administration of the oath to the gentleman from Florida, Mr. Deutch, the whole number of the House is adjusted to 431. **Page H2595**

Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the following measures which were debated on Wednesday, April 14th:

Recognizing the Coast Guard Group Astoria's more than 60 years of service to the Pacific Northwest: H. Res. 1062, amended, to recognize the Coast Guard Group Astoria's more than 60 years of service to the Pacific Northwest, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 401 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 205; **Page H2595**

Recognizing the leadership and historical contributions of Dr. Hector Garcia: H. Con. Res. 222, to recognize the leadership and historical contributions of Dr. Hector Garcia to the Hispanic community and his remarkable efforts to combat racial and

ethnic discrimination in the United States of America; and **Page H2595**

Congratulating the Duke University men's basketball team for winning the 2010 NCAA Division I Men's Basketball National Championship: H. Res. 1242, to congratulate the Duke University men's basketball team for winning the 2010 NCAA Division I Men's Basketball National Championship, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ recorded vote of 390 yeas with none voting "no" and 12 voting "present", Roll No. 210. **Page H2614**

Clean Estuaries Act of 2010: The House passed H.R. 4715, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the National Estuary Program, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 278 yeas to 128 nays, Roll No. 209. **Pages H2585–93, H2593–94, H2595–H2609, H2610–14**

Rejected the Jordan motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with amendments, by a recorded vote of 192 yeas to 214 noes, Roll No. 208. **Pages H2611–13**

Agreed to:

Oberstar amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 111–463) that ensures that program evaluations assess whether the implementation of a comprehensive conservation and management plan is achieving its stated goals; (2) enhances public education on the connections between air, land, and water and the potential impacts on estuarine health; (3) strikes the existing statutory priority list for estuaries to clarify that existing and proposed management conferences enter or remain in the program on a competitive basis; and (4) removes individuals from the list of approved recipients for grants under this program; **Pages H2602–03**

Oberstar amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 111–463) that requires the administrator to evaluate the effectiveness of the program; identify and disseminate best practices for positive outcomes; and identify and limit redundant rules, regulations and reporting requirements; **Pages H2603–05**

Kagen amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 111–463) that requires estuary programs to include in their comprehensive conservation and management plans a coordinated monitoring strategy between federal, state, and local entities; **Page H2605**

Schauer amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 111–463) that defines "estuary" under the Clean

Water Act to include Great Lakes waters and wetlands that are similar to traditional estuaries covered by the National Estuary Program; **Pages H2605–07**

Moore (WI) amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 111–463) that adds trend monitoring of the introduction and establishment of nonnative species, including their pathways for introduction in estuarine zones, to the list of research programs the Administrator can carry out; **Page H2607**

Kratovil amendment (No. 7 printed in H. Rept. 111–463) that makes explicit that collaborative processes should be used to develop the management plan. It calls for the equitable inclusion of all relevant estuary stakeholders; the use of neutral facilitators and processes to resolve conflicts; and the inclusion and use of up-to-date information, among other considerations; and **Pages H2608–09**

Shea-Porter amendment (No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 111–463) that ensures that comprehensive conservation and management plans address the impacts and potential effects of sea level change (by a recorded vote of 294 yeas to 109 nays, Roll No. 207). **Pages H2607–08, H2610–11**

H. Res. 1248, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a yeas-and-nays vote of 235 yeas to 171 nays, Roll No. 204, after the previous question was ordered without objection.

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Privileged Resolution—Motion to Refer: The House agreed to refer H. Res. 1255, raising a question of the privileges of the House, to the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct by a yeas-and-nays vote of 385 yeas with none voting “nay” and 18 voting “present”, Roll No. 206, after the previous question was ordered without objection.

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Recess: The House recessed at 5:25 p.m. and reconvened at 7:10 p.m. **Page H2614**

Order of Procedure: The House agreed by unanimous consent that it be in order at any time to take from the Speaker’s table H.R. 4851, with the Senate amendment thereto, and to consider in the House, without intervention of any point of order or question of consideration, a motion offered by the chair of the Committee on Ways and Means or his designee that the House concur in the Senate amendment; that the Senate amendment be considered as read; that the motion be debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means; and that the previous question be considered as ordered on the motion to final adoption without intervening motion. **Page H2615**

Continuing Extension Act of 2010: The House concurred in the Senate amendment to H.R. 4851,

to provide a temporary extension of certain programs, by a recorded vote of 289 yeas to 112 nays, Roll No. 211. **Pages H2615–20**

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 1 p.m. tomorrow, and further, that when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 20th for morning hour debate. **Page H2620**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H2615.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yeas-and-nays votes and four recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2593, H2595, H2610, H2611, H2612–13, H2613–14, H2614, H2619–20. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 11 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FINANCIAL SERVICES, AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Financial Services, and General Government held a hearing on FY 2011 Budget Request for the U.S. Supreme Court. Testimony was heard from the following Associate Justices of the Supreme Court: Clarence Thomas and Stephen G. Breyer.

HOMELAND SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Homeland Security held a hearing on DHS Cyber Security Programs—What progress has been made and what still needs to be improved? Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: Philip Reiter, Deputy Under Secretary, National Protection and Programs Directorate; and RADM Michael Brown, USN, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Cyber Security and Communications.

INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Voices from Our Native American Communities. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on Strengthening Native American Communities: Indian Health Service FY 2011 Budget Request. Testimony was heard from Yvette Roubideaux, Director, Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services.